No. J. 3400—Legis. 12-07-25, dated 16th March 1917.

The following rules for the grant of rewards to informants in cases of infringment of Game Laws are sanctioned by Government.

Rules for the grant of Rewards to informers and others who may render service to Government by detecting or preventing breaches of Game Laws :—

(1) In any case in which a penalty or confiscation has been adjudged by competent authority under any law for the time being in force for the prevention of indiscriminate destruction of wild animals and birds and for the protection of game and fish in Mysore, the Conservator of Forests may grant, in such proportions as he thinks fit, to any person, or persons who may have contributed to the conviction of the offender or to the seizure of the property so confiscated, a reward not exceeding the sale proceeds or assessed value of the animal, bird or property confiscated plus the amount for which any other article confiscated may sell plus the amount of any fine imposed therein.

Provided always that the aggregate amount of the rewards thus granted in any one case, shall not exceed rupees fifty.

(2) In any case in which any person or persons may have been convicted of an offence against the Game Laws but in which no penalty or confiscation may have been imposed or realised or in which any person has performed any service of special merit in respect of the prevention or detection of any offence against the Game Laws, rewards may be granted to an aggregate amount of Rs. 25 (twenty-five.)

(3) Conservator of Forests may incur at his discretion an expenditure not exceeding rupees fifteen in each case for information which may lead to the prevention or detection of any offence against the Game Laws.

(4) Proposals for the grant of rewards and the incurring of expenditure in excess of the sums above set forth, should be reported for sanction of Government.

(5) Recommendation rolls for payment of rewards should be submitted to the Conservator of Forests after final conviction of the offenders in the Appellate Court, if an appeal has been presented, or after the period allowed for presenting the appeal has elapsed. These papers should show what amount, if any, has been realised by fines and sales of confiscated property in the case.

(6) On receipt of the recommendation rolls the amount sanctioned by the Conservator of Forests will be drawn on abstract contingent bills and forwarded to the officer concerned.

Payments of rewards must be made personally by the Deputy Commissioners, Deputy Conservator of Forests or the District Forest Officers, as the case may be, and acknowledgments obtained from the payees and forwarded to the office of the Conservator of Forests.

(7) No delay should be permitted in the disbursement of rewards.

(8) Rewards in special cases may, with the previous sanction of Government, be made in any other form than a grant of money.

By Order,
D. M. NARASINGA RAO,
Secretary to Government,
General Department.